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For: APPARATUS FOR SAVING FILES INTO A PLURALITY OF HOLDERS

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on March 18, 2003. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claim 1 in accordance with the following:

1. (AS ONCE AMENDED) A file saving apparatus comprising:
a plural saving designating unit designating saving destinations in which an original file should be saved at a plurality of saving destinations; and
a file saving unit saving separately managed complete copies of the original file in the plurality of saving destinations, respectively.

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed December 18, 2003 the Examiner noted that claims 1-10 were pending and rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). In rejecting the claims, U.S. Published Patent Application 2002/0138504 A1 by Yano et al. (Reference B) was cited. Claims 1-10 remain pending in the application. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.